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## Cowboy poet to be featured at Springlake celebration

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Cowboy poet Loren "Doc" Mayer of Morning Star Ranch, Roy, N.M., will be among the entertainment featured at the Independence Day Celebration at Springlake, on Monday, July 4.

Mayer, who is also a western artist and holds a Ph.D. in physiology from the University of Texas at Austin, taught at the Texas A&M College of Medicine before leaving the halls of higher education for his New Mexico ranch.

In an interview Monday, Mayer explained that part of his reason for the change in professions was what he perceived to be a growing apathy on the part of many medical students who seemed less and less to be able to think for themselves.

"There was a lot of 'trust me' involved, and I didn't like that," Mayer said. He explained that after entering medical school with a bachelor's degree a



DOC MAYER, COWBOY POET

more of a one-on-one teaching atmosphere than was possible at the college level. But it was also apparent in the interview that the poet's attraction to the old west, and a growing relationship with God may have also had something to do with the decision.

Mayer, who owns and operates a ranch in northeast New Mexico without benefit of electricity or power equipment by choice, spends most of his days in the 19th century, driving into town on the occasions he needs to use a computer.

"I run about a hundred cows on about 5,000 acres in Roy (N.M.) and have given up on life in the fast lane for life where the real people are, like small towns

in Texas... I love 'em," he said. "Our whole life is camping out," Mayer said. "We shop at the camping center at Wal-Mart," he joked, adding

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— Doc Mayer

that his children loved it. "This is like camping out... inside," Mayer quoted his son as saying.

Among the improvements the former educator said have been made to his ranch was the clearing of about 750 acres with only an axe.

Attired in western

clothing, and sporting a pair of Ruger .44 caliber Blackhawks® for varmint removal, Mayer's said his work on the ranch had to do a lot with the stewardship

God had given him over the land, explaining that he didn't want to anything to the ranch that he didn't feel would please God.

When talking about his poetry, Mayer said, "God wakes me up at 2 o'clock in the morning, and gives me a poem. ...This is God's poetry."

The author of approximately 1,200 to 1,300 poems, Mayer said when he first started writing poetry it was on a ratio of about nine cowboy poems to one poem about God, but that over the years the ratio

has switched around. And when asked about his philosophy of life, Mayer said it constantly changed as he drew closer to God.

Mayer believes the growing attraction for cowboy poetry is much like the difference between Christianity and religion, which has more to do with a personal relationship with God than it does about religious ritual.

"Cowboy poetry is real honest and real direct," Mayer said.

Until recently, Mayer had been traveling and performing with country and western singing star Michael Martin Murphy. However, Mayer said he was more interested in relating to the people and

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**Fireworks Display**  
**Monday, July 4**  
**10 PM**  
**New City Park**

**Local Weather**

**Thurs.**  
Sunny..... 98/60

**Fri.**  
Sunny..... 96/60

**Sat.**  
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**Muleshoe city clerk honored**

By Larry Thornton  
Managing Editor

Muleshoe City Secretary LeAnn Gallman has been named as the 2005 Municipal Clerk of the Year for the South Plains Chapter of the Texas Municipal Clerk Association.

Along with the recognition from the South Plains Chapter, which includes approximately member cities in counties extending from Parmer County south to Gaines County, Gallman has been nominated for the TMCA Municipal Clerk of the Year.

In Gallman's letter of nomination, South Plains Nominating Committee



LEANN GALLMAN

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**Red Hat Society hits Muleshoe**

A lot of people were seeing red over the weekend, June 18-19, as the second annual Red Hat Fling was held in Muleshoe, drawing red hat wearers from across the state and New Mexico. Turn to page 10 for additional photographs and page 11 for a related story.

Photographs by Leah Bell



**Mariachi Mi Tierra to perform at Muleshoe park**

Mariachi Mi Tierra will be among the entertainment during the Independence Day festivities in Muleshoe.

The mariachi band, under the direction of Gabriel Guillen, will be performing a mixture of traditional music along with "a little bit of everything," Guillen said.

"We like to go out and

have fun," Guillen said. "We're a young group."

Although Mariachi Mi Tierra will be playing some English and western pieces, Guillen said their favorites, understandably, are the traditional songs of Mexico.

"We like to promote our music and our heritage," he said.

Mariachi Mi Tierra is a seven piece band that has been performing together for the past four years.

Although they perform at a variety of functions, they also perform weekly in the Lubbock area. On Thursday evenings, they perform at the River Smith Restaurant, and on Friday evenings,

they perform at Mare y Tierra.

During the July 4th festivities, the band will be performing from immediately after the parade until noon at Carolyn's Christmas Creations, and from 6 p.m.

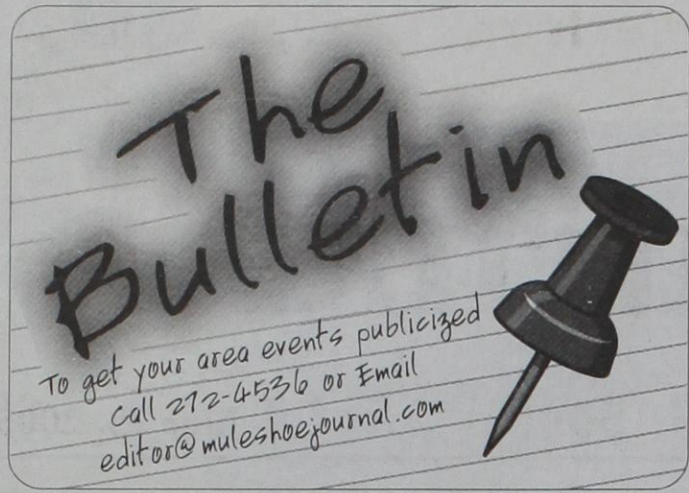
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**Pioneer Reunion to be held**

The annual Pioneer Reunion will be held in the meeting room at the Bailey County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd., beginning at 2 pm on Monday, July 4.

All families of early pioneers are invited to come and enjoy visiting and honoring the memory of all early pioneer families.

For information about the reunion, contact Maurine Hooten at 272-4829.

**"Operation Keep Cannon" paraphernalia at Chamber office**

Individuals interested in showing their support for the "Operation Keep Cannon" campaign can find a limited supply of signs, bumper stickers and badges at the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce office. Stop by the office any weekday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office is closed from noon to 1 p.m.

**Parade entries needed**

This year's July 4th parade will take place at 10 a.m. on Main Street on July 4. The parade theme is "Fun in Muleshoe on the Fourth!" Entries will begin lining up at the boy scout grounds on south Main Street at 9:15 a.m.

Those interested in having a float or other type of entry in the parade should contact Heather Foley, parade chairperson, at 272-4102, or the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce office at 272-4248 by 4 p.m. on June 30. Prizes will be awarded to first through third place entries. Entry forms are available at the chamber office, 115 E. American Blvd., and should be filled out and returned by the June 30 deadline.

Floats will be judged on best representation of "fun" in Muleshoe for the Fourth of July.

The parade route has been changed this year. Main Street will be blocked off allowing the parade to proceed all the way down Main Street to U.S. Hwy. 84 (American Blvd.), where entrants will make a left onto American Blvd. (eastbound traffic stopped) and then another left onto First Street (also blocked off) back toward the boy scout grounds.

**July 4 vendors being sought**

July 4 activities in Muleshoe have been moved to one centralized location — Main Street. Businesses and vendors are being asked to set up outside businesses on Monday, July 4.

Anyone interested in having a booth on Main Street for July 4 in Muleshoe should contact Carolyn Johnson at 272-5911 or Jim Ella Clemmons at 272-4726. A minimal fee is being charged for each booth participating.

The "Carrying On" committee of the chamber will be running this year's softball tournament at the new city park July 2-4.

Saturday, July 2 will feature co-ed play and men only will take the field Sunday, July 3. All finals will be played on Monday, July 4.

Other tournament plans haven't been finalized as of yet, but teams interested in playing should contact Stacy M. Thompson at 272-3652 for more details.

Those interested in being a food vendor at the new city park on July 4 should also contact Stacy. No outside vendors will be allowed to set up at the park July 2-3, but the chamber concession stand will be open. There will be a minimal fee for food vendors setting up on the fourth.

For other inquiries about "Fun In Muleshoe On The Fourth," contact Heather Foley at 272-4102.

**July 4 Chamber Brisket Cookoff set; deadline to enter moved up**

Chefs and "wannabe" cooks are invited to participate in the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce's first annual Brisket Cookoff to be held on the Chamber parking lot on July 4.

Deadline to enter is Monday, June 27 at 5 p.m. All brisket will be judged by three official judges and trophies will be awarded on July 4, at 4 p.m., to the top three winning entries. The entry fee is \$40.

All cooks and their cookers are asked to set up on Sunday, July 3, after a brief meeting beginning at 6 p.m. The contest rules will be read at this time. No cookers or meat will be allowed to leave the area once setup is complete.

To enter, pick up an entry form from either Mark Beard at Bailey County Electric Cooperative, 305 E. Ave. B,

or Terral King at The Connection Warehouse, 117 Main St., or stop by the chamber office at 115 E. American Blvd.

All meat will be provided by the chamber. Once judged, all brisket will be auctioned off to the crowd.

For more Brisket Cookoff information, contact Beard at 272-4504 or King at 272-5532.

**Muleshoe Motor car show**

The first annual Muleshoe Motor Co., Inc., All Ford Car Show has been scheduled for July 9, with proceeds supporting the Bailey County "Meals on Wheels" program. Individuals wishing to participate may register at Muleshoe Motor Co. There is a \$20 registration fee prior to July 1, and a \$30 fee after that and on the day of the show. Awards will be given for a variety of categories. For more information contact Muleshoe Motor Co., Inc., at 1-800-432-7617, or email david.hill@muleshoemotor.com.

**Bailey County EMS golf scramble**

Bailey County EMS Organization is hosting a 4-person golf scramble on July 30, at the Muleshoe Country Club. The cost is \$40 per person, cart not included. Mixed and ladies teams are encouraged to participate. To sign up or for more information, call 806-272-4390.

**Muleshoe AA meetings set**

Those looking for help with problem drinking can do so at open AA meetings being held at 7 p.m. each Saturday at 121 W. Ave. C. For information about these meetings or AA in general, call Bobby F. at 272-8948 or 272-4433.

**Muleshoe Ex-Students to meet**

The Ex-Student Association will be meeting June 24, at 7 p.m. at the Five Area meeting room.

Also, the Ex-Student Association is still looking for 1924-1985 graduates and former students for an all school reunion to be held on July 2, 2005.

**Community band members sought**

Danny Rodriguez and D.J. Dominguez are looking for individuals interested in forming a community-wide band to play at community events, social occasions, outdoor concerts and various other events. This is not a paid position at this time.

The duo hopes to gather numerous musicians to play all types of music, including jazz, big band, funk, pop and rock. They are also looking for singers.

Charts are available and reading music isn't necessary, but would be helpful since some of the music is "challenging."

All types of instruments will be used and every musician is encouraged to make contact.

"From brass to woodwinds, drums to electric guitars, every instrument can be utilized. Even if you haven't played in 15 or 20 years, give it a try," he said. "We really want this band to be something special and fun for the community."

If you're interested in more information about the concept, contact Danny Rodriguez at 272-3345 or D.J. Dominguez at 272-6814.

**Rabies clinic set for July 12**

A rabies clinic has been scheduled for July 12, from 4-6 p.m. at the Earl Ladd Fire Station in Muleshoe.

**Brunch scheduled**

A senior citizens brunch has been scheduled for 10 a.m., June 29, at the Oneita Wagon Senior Center.

Former Muleshoe resident Wayne Bristow will be the speaker for the event, and musical entertainment will also be provided.

The event is being sponsored by Trinity Baptist Church of Muleshoe.

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**Fourth of July ...By Doc Mayer**

The Fourth of July, annual fireworks, young people yell as a big one'll burst. The oohs and aahs of the neck craning crowd as they watch for flowers of light and do it out loud. That brings to mind when souls meet the Lord, the angels must sing and go overboard in a welcoming party while they're bringing one in, because they're forgiven not because they don't sin. There are probably fireworks in the great welcome party because, one more is safe and the angels aren't tardy in saying, "Good work, and I know it was tough but, it looks like you've loved Him sincerely enough." Now, I don't want you to sell the old devil short there are fireworks in hell but, of a much different sort.

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sharing about God than he was in selling CDs, whether Murphy's or his own, adding that if money interested him he would still be teaching physiology at Texas A&M.

Along with the performance on July 4 at Springlake, Mayers is currently interested in furthering his ministry, and is scheduling poetry recitals — a combination of cowboy and "western" religious poetry — at various churches.

Among the other events at Springlake on

Independence Day will be a parade, which will begin lining up at the Springlake Community Building, on Hwy. 385, at 5:30 p.m. and is scheduled to start at 6 p.m., traveling to the town's park west on Hwy. 70.

Antique cars and tractors, floats, bicycles and horse clubs are invited to participate.

After the parade, the activities at the park will include a presentation of awards — including the Pioneer Award, a 42 tournament and a cake auction.

There will also be a hamburger and hot dog

supper. Proceeds from the auction and the supper will go to the Springlake Fire Department.

Additional live entertainment in the park will be provided by Guyle Roberson and Friends, and

there will be a fireworks display that will begin at dark.

Spectators are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs and blankets. For additional information, call the Springlake City Hall at 986-4211

**Hospital Report**

The Muleshoe Area Medical Center has reported the following admissions:

June 10 — No report.  
June 11 — Yesenia Vega and Beverly Wagnon.  
June 12 — Maria Toscanom  
Toscano Jr. and Juanita

Vargas.  
June 13 — Erald Gross and Raymond Davenport.

June 14 — Rebecca Chabot and Girl Chabot.  
June 15 — Jimmie Daniel, Lendon Hennington, David Neufeld and Maria Orozco.  
June 16 — No report.

**Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture**  
**July 4th Schedule of Events**  
**"FUN IN MULESHOE ON THE 4TH!"**

**Main Street Events**

- Arts/crafts and food booths along Main Street ..... All Day
- At Carolyn's, tent sales and activities for all ages ..... All Day
- Parade "Fun In Muleshoe On The Fourth" ..... 10 AM
- Strolling Mariachi Band "Mi Tierra" at Carolyn's (106 E. American Blvd.) ..... Following parade till noon
- United Supermarket Muleshoe Pitching signup - Main & Ave. C ..... 11 AM
- Muleshoe Pitching - Main St. & Ave. C ..... 11:30 AM
- Tractor-made ice cream (fireman's fund-raiser) ..... All Day
- 2nd Annual Strong Arm Wrestling Contest at Carolyn's ..... 1 PM
- Cheerleaders cooking/serving hamburger lunches at Carolyn's

**Chamber Deck/Parking Lot Events - 115 E. American Blvd.**

- Brisket Cook-off cooks' meeting Sunday, July 3 (Chamber lot) ..... 6 PM  
*(All cooks and brisket will remain on the Chamber parking lot overnight.)*
- Brisket Cook-off, 115 E. American Blvd. - July 4 ..... Judging at 4 PM
- Trophies will be presented to the top 3 winning cooks. All brisket will be auctioned off after trophies are presented.
- Chamber sponsored games ..... 10 AM - 2 PM
- Ol' Pete's "Happy 40th Birthday" Party ..... 2 - 4 PM  
*(Free cake will be served while supplies last!)*

**American Blvd. Events**

- Muleputt miniature golf - Friday, Saturday & Sunday ..... 7 - 10 PM
- Williams General Store "Big Tent Event" Friday, Saturday, Sunday afternoon & Monday ..... Beginning at 9 AM  
*(Williams will close early on Monday, July 4)*
- Honey Do BBQ - cooking on Williams General Store parking lot July 1-4 ..... Lunch till the flag comes down  
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- Vendors at Williams: Honey Do BBQ; Craig Black "Granddaddy's Ground Cornmeal & Ceramic Tiles; Roasted Corn ..... All Day
- Sheree's Attic Annual Tent Sale - Friday, Saturday & Monday ..... 9 AM

**Other Events**

- All School Reunion - July 2 ..... All Day  
*(Visit the Oneita Wagnon Sr. Center, 319 S. Main Street, for more reunion details, or call 272-4969. Banquet will be held at the Bailey County Coliseum from 7-11 on July 2. Must be registered to attend.)*
- Pioneer Reunion, Bailey County Coliseum ..... 2 pm
- All families of early pioneers are invited to come and enjoy visiting and honoring the memory of all early pioneer families.  
*(In the meeting room of the coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd.)*

**City Park Events**

- Carnival ..... Saturday, Sunday & Monday
- Softball tournament ..... Saturday, Sunday & Monday
- Traveling Mariachi band "Mi Tierra" - July 4 only ..... 6 - 7 PM
- Feature band "The Fun Brothers" ..... 8 - 10 PM
- FIREWORKS DISPLAY** ..... Beginning around 10 PM

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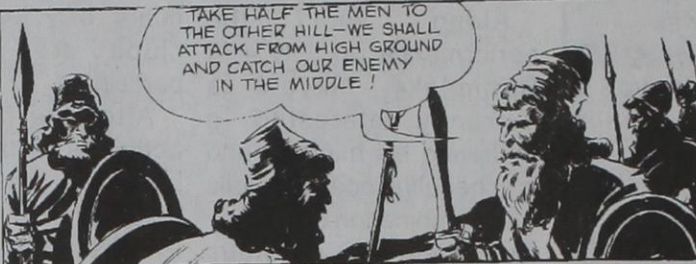
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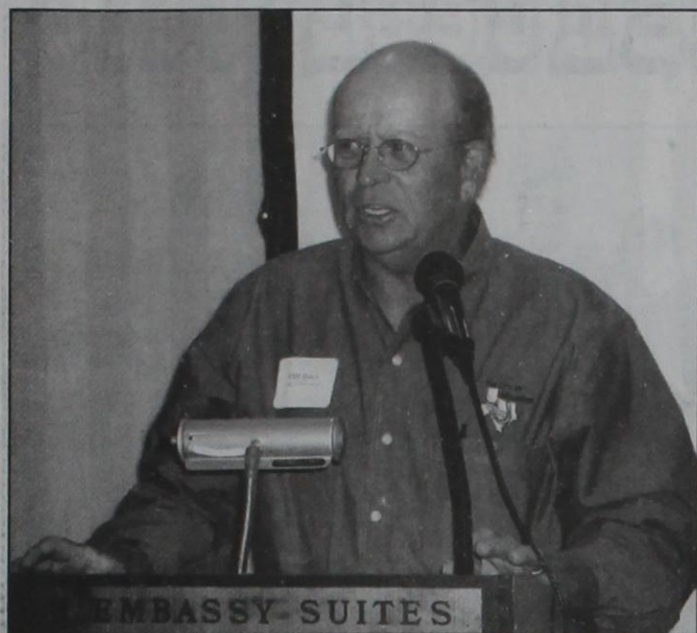
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## Muleshoe hosts TML regional meeting



Mayor Cliff Black speaks at the TML meeting.

Mayor Cliff Black had the opportunity to brag about Muleshoe recently at the quarterly meeting of the Texas Municipal League Region III, held in Lubbock on June 16.

The City of Muleshoe served as host for the meeting which drew 134 elected and appointed city officials from the South Plains area.

The City of Muleshoe was represented by the mayor, Mayor Pro tem James Roy Jones and his wife Theresa, Councilman Richard Orozco and his wife Alma, Councilman Earl Behrends and his wife Donita, and Councilman Mark Beard and his wife Poppy.

Among the Muleshoe city staff attending were City Manager David Brunson and his wife Dianne, City Secretary LeAnn Gallman, Economic Development Director Janet Claborn, Public Works Director Ramon Sanchez and his wife Noemi, Municipal Judge Juana Shelburne and her husband Curtis, Utility Billing Supervisor Zanea Carpenter and her husband Jeff, and Utility Clerk Denise Esparza and her husband Albert.

### Cancer screening to be held in July

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will be conducting a breast cancer screening clinic at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center on July 5 and 9.

Call 1-800-377-4673 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

### Publication of Obituaries

Obituaries printed in the Muleshoe Journal are printed free of charge and contain the following types of information: date and details of funeral and place of burial; date and place of birth and parents names; date of marriage; limited biographical information, including the highest level of schooling achieved, service in the Armed Forces, profession (and retirement information if applicable); names of relatives who have preceded the person in death; names of survivors (including husband and wife, parents, in-laws, brothers, sisters, grandparents (only the number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren) will be included; and where memorials may be directed. We will be pleased to run a one column black and white photo at no charge. A larger photo or a color photo will cause the obit to be paid. Please keep in mind that everything must be submitted by your funeral home.

### Mariachi Mi Tierra

continued from page 1 until 7 p.m. at the city park.

Members of the band include: Yolanda Vargas and Stephenie Torres on violin; Jason Preito and Frankie Tovar on trumpet; Gabriel Guillen on guitarron; Ociel Arrendondo on vihuela; and Rick Bermea on guitar.

Other entertainment in the new city park will include a performance by the band The Fun Brothers, which is scheduled from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m.

## Gallman honored

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chair Becky Garza of Lubbock wrote, "LeAnn has served as city secretary of Muleshoe since 1999. She is committed to the profession of municipal clerk, and truly stands out as a leader in our local chapter... she has played a key role in carrying out our chapter goals, and promoting the South Plains Chapter."

Gallman is a 24 year employee of the City of Muleshoe, starting as the utilities billing clerk, she became the deputy city clerk in June 1998, and was appointed as the city clerk the following year.

She is a Texas registered municipal clerk, and is certified as a municipal clerk through

the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Recently, Gallman was accepted into the Master Municipal Clerk Academy, an honor achieved after completion of a three-year program of study.

"There's a real sense of pride in accomplishing that," Gallman said about the master certification, which included an extensive amount of homework and a series of exams.

As a member of the South Plains Chapter, Gallman has served as chapter secretary and is the current chapter treasurer.

She has also coauthored the Municipal Clerk Handbook, and is currently serving on the chapter's Scholarship Committee.

## Lamplight By Larry Thornton

God reached down and covered my wife and I with his all-powerful hand Sunday, June 12, as we were returning from a trip to Oklahoma.

While we drove through Clinton, Okla., I was watching the rotation in the clouds overhead, and as we pulled onto I-40, we found ourselves joining others seeking shelter alongside the road.

Although the radio station we were listening to later claimed it was straight-line winds that blew through the area, at the time — and in the ditch where we were — it sure looked like a small tornado.

Let's see... circulation overhead, a cloud of dirt and debris rising upward, and a large highway sign simply exploding about 50 yards away with the sheets of metal also traveling upward. If it wasn't a tornado, it was close enough to get my attention. While a couple of semi-tractor trucks were blown over in the storm, I'm

unaware of there being any serious injuries. Thank you, God.

Still, I was amazed as the debris cloud literally circled around our car, something I'd never seen "straight-line" winds do before. But no matter what... straight winds, circular winds, or even rectangular winds, it was clearly evident to me that it wasn't simple luck that kept my wife and I safe from harm.

In the eighth chapter of the Book of Luke, we read how our Lord and Savior was traveling across the Sea of Galilee with some of his followers, and how a great storm came up while Christ was asleep. After the disciples called to him, Christ arose and demonstrated his power by calming the storm.

Thankfully, the same God who calmed the storm with but a spoken word more than 2,000 years ago is still in control today.

As the storm winds raged about us on that Oklahoma highway, I uttered some

powerful words, but their power came not from me. The power of the words were based entirely in the fact that God listens to our words, and answers them according to his will.

The Bible tells us it is our heavenly Father's desire that we call upon him during difficult situations.

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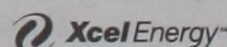
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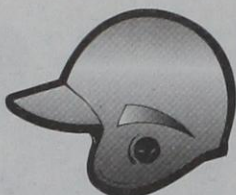
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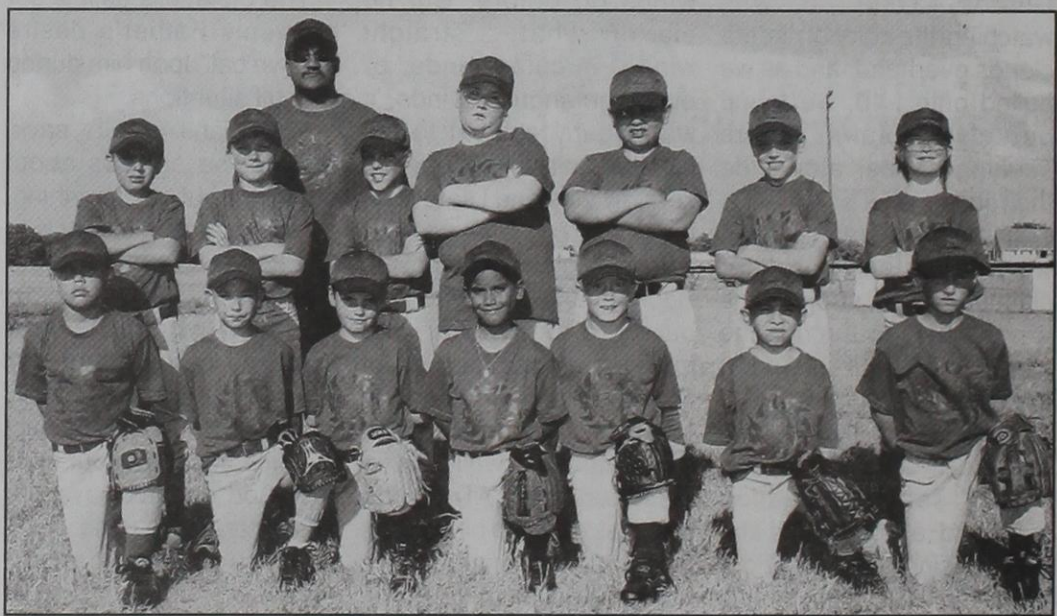
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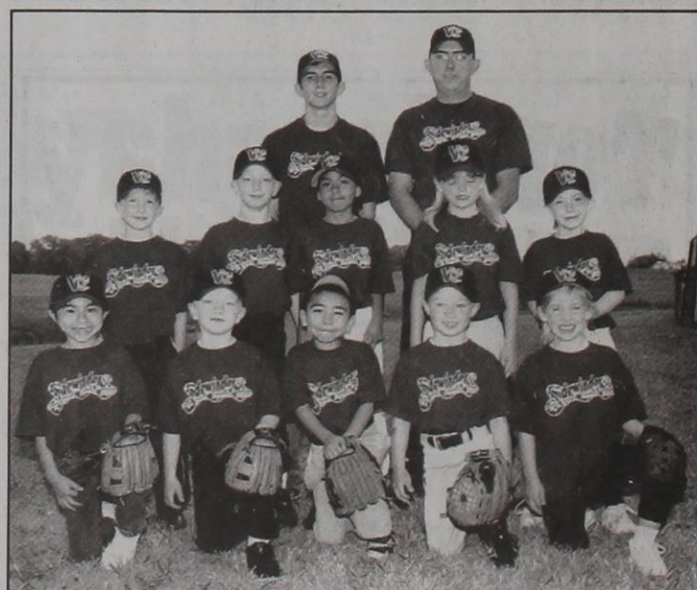


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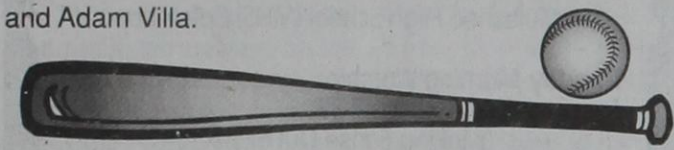
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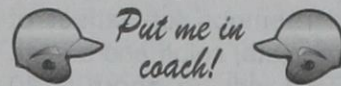
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## Engagements



### Fields, Jennings engaged

LaRhonda Kay Fields and Nathaniel Quinn Jennings of Sudan are pleased to announce their engagement.

The prospective bride is the daughter of Jim and Debi Fields of Sudan and Donna Nace of Kingsland. She is the granddaughter of Juanda and the late Louis Fields of Sudan and Faye and the late Otis Johnson of Seminole.

The prospective groom is the son of Tim and Vickie Jennings of Borger. He is the grandson of Murry and Joyce Jennings of Blair, Okla.

The couple will be wed on July 16, 2005, at Starlight Canyon in Amarillo.

The prospective bride is a graduate of Sudan High School and is attending South Plains College. She is employed by Muleshoe Animal Clinic. The prospective groom is a graduate of West Texas High School and is also attending South Plains College. He is employed by Xcel Energy.



### Jolly, Field engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Jolly of Midland are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Alissa Sauve Jolly of Midland, to Bryan Allen Field, also of Midland.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Field of Muleshoe. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mack Wagon and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Field, all of Muleshoe.

The grandparents of the prospective bride are Geri Bolding and the late Horace Bolding of Midland, and Elaine Palmer and the late Hoyte Palmer, also of Midland.

The wedding has been set for 10 a.m., July 30, 2005, at Garden Wedding of Midland.

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## Senior Citizen News

The Oneita Wagon Senior Center offers several programs of interest to senior citizens this month in addition to our exercise programs, games, computers, the Tuesday evening Senior Dance and a great noon meal.

On Thursday, June 23, at noon, O.B. Brooks, program specialist with South Plains Association of Governments, will present a program on Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage. He will cover important dates and a handout fact sheet on Medicare prescription drug coverage and "what people need to know."

On Tuesday, June 28, at noon, Deanne Simons with Covenant Community Service will bring a program on measures to take and preventive health screenings for cancer of prostate, colon and breast. This will be about a 20 minute power-point program.

On Wednesday, June 29, at 10 a.m. a brunch will be served at the senior center and all senior citizens are invited. Wayne Bristow, noted speaker and author, formerly of Muleshoe, will entertain with his homespun tales.

Music will be provided by Randy and Paula Sterrett and their two sons. They promise "heavenly singing." The sons play guitar and drums. Piano is also planned.

Paula is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Bennie Wright. This senior citizen activity is offered at no charge and is sponsored by the Trinity Baptist Church.

Also on Wednesday, June 29, at noon, Sally Farr

with Experience Works, formerly Green Thumb, will speak on their Senior Community Service Employment Program. If you are 55 years of age or older, and have limited income, this program may be just right for you. It is a federally-funded employment program and is focused on meeting the training and employment needs of our older population. Those 55 and up are invited to this program. There will be handouts and a short video.

The menu for the upcoming week is:

Monday, June 27 — Roast beef and mashed potatoes, vegetables, tossed salad, thousand island dressing, biscuit and cookie.

Tuesday, June 28 — Beef and peppers, rice, chinese vegetables, wheat roll and gingerbread.

Wednesday, June 29 — Chicken-fried steak, baked potato, green beans, white gravy, wheat roll and apricots.

Thursday, June 30 — Hamburger on a bun, lettuce, tomato, onion, mayonnaise, mustard, hash browns, peaches, oatmeal-raisin cookie.

Friday, July 1 — Baked fish with lemon, stuffed baked potato, broccoli and cheese, pears, hot roll and peanut butter cookie.

### History Notes

In 1900, the population of Bailey County was four. In 1910, the population had grown to 312. And by 1920, had grown to 517.

### Pioneer Reunion to be held

The annual Pioneer Reunion will be held in the meeting room at the Bailey County Coliseum, 2206 W. American Blvd., beginning at 2 pm on Monday, July 4.

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For information about the reunion, contact Maurine Hooten at 272-4829.

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Sunday-Morning Worship ..... 11:00 AM  
 Evening-Youth Grades 7-12 ..... 4:30 PM  
 "Making Sense Out of Sex"  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:00 PM

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday  
 Lite Lunch ..... 12:00 noon  
 "A Time to Share with Wayne Bristow"  
 Public Invited (Please call ahead) - 272-3301  
 Worship ..... 7:00 PM

Tuesday-Children's Night ..... 6:00 PM  
 Worship ..... 7:00 PM

Wednesday-Senior Adults ..... 10:00 AM  
 Lite refreshments & coffee  
 Worship ..... 7:00 PM

Sat., June 25-Friendship Dinner at MHS cafeteria @ 6:30 PM.  
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**Thanks for reading!**



# Agricultural News

## 2005 crop season is off to a rocky start on the Texas High Plains

The 2005 crop season on the Texas High Plains is off to a rocky start.

Abundant spring moisture provided ideal planting conditions for cotton, corn and peanut producers and gave winter wheat a necessary drink of water. But the situation changed dramatically near the end of May, as thunderstorms swept across the region bringing high winds, tornados, hail and beating rains.

An estimated 200,000 to 300,000 acres of cotton in a 41-county area surrounding Lubbock have suffered "environmental damage," and at least 150,000 acres are reported severely damaged or lost, according to reports at the June 10 Plains Cotton Growers cotton advisory board meeting.

Those estimates will likely be ratcheted upward by the end of June. Since the meeting, early summer storms have damaged additional acreage in several counties around Lubbock.

"We still don't have a concrete tally on the full extent of the damage," said Dr. Randy Boman, a Texas Cooperative Extension agronomist based at Lubbock. "But we have received preliminary damage estimates from all county agents in the region."

The cotton-producing region surrounding Lubbock is often known as "the world's largest cotton patch," because farmers there typically plant more than 50 percent of the state's five million to six million acre cotton crop.

About 20 percent of the region's 3.5 million to 3.6 million cotton acres doesn't survive to be harvested due to weather, insects, disease or other maladies.

Producers hit by recent storms should carefully evaluate damage in their fields before making any replant decisions, Boman said.

"We have two cotton-specific documents and one document geared for

alternative crop options available online at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/cotton/> Boman said. "The cotton documents are *Effects of Stand Loss and Skips on Cotton Yields and Making Replant Decisions*.

"The bottom line in deciding whether to replant cotton is what's left out there and what shape it's in. You have to carefully evaluate the uniformity of the remaining crop stand and the condition of the surviving plants," he said.

If two or more cotton plants per foot of row survive without too many long skips, the stand still may be good enough for optimum lint production, Boman said. Skips are bare spots devoid of any plants.

"A study conducted from 1981 to 1984 at the Texas A&M University System Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock looked at how skips affect yield," Boman said.

"In that study, a 'normal stand' of cotton had about 4.0 to 4.7 plants per foot of row and skips varying from six inches to nine feet in length. A stand reduction of 25 percent, with 3.0 to 3.5 plants per foot of row, reduced lint yields by about 13 percent.

"A 50 percent stand reduction, with about 2.0 to 2.5 plants per foot of row, resulted in a 26 percent loss of potential lint yield.

The profitability of replanting damaged stands depends on the date and your location. Even so, most farmers would be ill-advised to replant a stand averaging two plants per foot of row or more after June 10. It just wouldn't pencil out

economically."

Significant yield reduction can occur in solid stands of irrigated cotton once plant density drops below an average of 1.5 healthy plants per foot of row, Boman added.

"Making replant decisions" can help producers evaluate remaining crop stands, stand uniformity, and the health of surviving plants. It also contains information on how planting dates affect yield potential, tips for weighing the costs and benefits of replanting, and management considerations for replanted cotton.

Another publication, *2005 Alternative crop options after failed cotton and late-season rrop planting for the Texas South Plains*, can help producers evaluate their 'catch' crop options.

"There are numerous alternative crop options for failed cotton acres through July 1," said Dr. Calvin Trostle, an extension agronomist based at Lubbock.

"Your choices may be limited by the herbicides used on failed cotton acres and the calendar. As we move towards late June, shorter maturity crops may be necessary to fit the remaining growing season."

This publication covers herbicide considerations, compliance with government farm programs, and realistic expectations for replant crops.

"This information is relevant for areas from Midland and Big Spring north to Amarillo, and from off the Caprock west to the first tier of counties in southeastern New Mexico," Trostle said.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation reminds producers with failed cotton acres to do a thorough job of destroying any remaining plants in their fields.

"If High Plains growers fail their cotton before the certification date and keep it free of fruiting cotton for the remainder of the season, they qualify for a credit on their assessment," said Charles Allen, program director of the foundation.

Plowing down plants on failed acres also deprives weevils of a safe haven in which to feed, reproduce and then move into other fields. A weekly update on crop conditions across the High Plains is available through Extension's "Focus" newsletter, published electronically at <http://lubbock.tamu.edu/focus>.

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## The Grace of God Is Only a Pretty Theory Until . . .

Ah, the grace of God is a fine concept in theory. And that, I'm afraid, is exactly the way it stays in the lives of many people for a very long time. A concept. A theory. But to catch even a glimpse of its beautiful and unfathomable reality is to realize that grace is not just a concept: it is the very breath of life, the lifeline that keeps us from dropping into the abyss, the life jacket that buoys us up and saves us from certain drowning.

Unfortunately—at least, it's

ing color and fullblown reality until he's had to hit the silk when his plane was spiraling downward and he knows for sure that he would have been a deadster without one. To extend the metaphor, I suspect that it's almost inevitable that a pilot who has never crashed is deep-down sure he's a better pilot than one who has (no matter what the accident investigation board may say about what caused the crash). We all know that some bad pilots crash. But what good pilots probably have a very difficult time believing is that some good ones crash, too, and that if they themselves had been in command, the marriage, the business, the life task or dream—Oh, excuse me, we were talking about planes, weren't we?—would still have gone down and maybe even more quickly. It just could be, in theory, that the pilot who crashed was better than they themselves. But I doubt most are able to believe that. Not until they crash. Then, if they survive (a big IF), they are a lot more humble, a lot more thankful for parachutes, and probably much better pilots.

The difference between pilots and all of us just living this life is that ALL humans crash. It's a hard truth, but God's grace remains just a pretty theory until we fail very badly and know that we've failed. We will. We have. But lots of us haven't hit the ground hard enough or obviously enough yet to know that we're just like—*exactly* like—all of God's other children. We live completely by, only by, God's parachute.

Did I say parachute? I mean, God's grace.

**Focus On Faith**  
Curtis Shelburne

unfortunate in the sense that it certainly is a very hard and unpleasant thing—I'm afraid the only way to really taste God's grace as something more than theory is: a) to foul up very badly, and b) to know that you have.

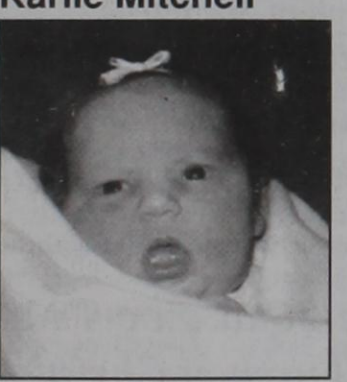
Oh, you and I know lots of Christians who claim to believe in God's grace. Most of them really think they do. Why argue the point? You might as well try to explain to a fish what it's like to be really dry. You can't do it. Almost all Christians genuinely think they already are trusting in grace. And I believe them. They probably are trusting in God's grace as much as anyone can who has never really butted his head very hard against the wall of life and his own sinfulness.

A pilot can know all about parachutes, but I doubt he can really know about them in liv-

Curtis Shelburne is minister of the 16th & D Church of Christ in Muleshoe.

## Births

Karlie Mitchell



KARLIE MARIE MITCHELL

Myles and Trina Mitchell of Muleshoe proudly announce the birth of their daughter, Karlie Marie Mitchell, on April 27, 2005, at 1:55 p.m. at the Muleshoe Area Medical Center.

Karlie weighed eight pounds, 14 ounces at birth and was 20-1/2 inches in length.

Paternal grandparents are Mike Mitchell, Jr. and Carol Bare of Clovis, N.M. Maternal grandparents are Wells and Janet Hall of Muleshoe.

Great-grandparents are Dee and Alice Hall of Muleshoe; Ken and Savanna Baker of Logan, Utah; Jack and Louis Box of Roswell, N.M.; and Mike Mitchell, Sr. of Clovis, N.M., and Janet Wilburn of Carlsbad, N.M.

**Muleshoe Cattle Market**

The Muleshoe Cattle Market is brought to you each week by Muleshoe Livestock Auction, located east of Muleshoe on U.S. 84. Muleshoe Livestock conducts sales every Saturday, beginning with hogs, sheep and goats at 10 a.m. and cattle following at approximately noon.

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828 head of cattle, 89 hogs and 473 sheep and goats for a total of 1,390 livestock sold at the June 18th sale. Market very strong on Hol. str. cfs. 170-350 lbs. Market steady on all other classes of cattle. Remember NO SALE July 2nd!!

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Ruben Bugarin, Dexter, NM	3	Hol. strs	283 lbs.	at \$155.00
Jose Franco, Denver City		Hol. str	285 lbs.	at \$162.00
3M Cattle, Muleshoe		Blk. bull	270 lbs.	at \$175.00
Ester Rodriguez, Seminole	3	Mxd. strs	307 lbs.	at \$182.50
J.C. Gatewood, Muleshoe	2	Char. bulls	350 lbs.	at \$157.50
Grady Free, Muleshoe		Blk. bull	370 lbs.	at \$152.50
B&D Dairy, Plains		BWF bull	445 lbs.	at \$143.00
Royce Blair, Plains	3	Char. bulls	650 lbs.	at \$102.50
Bar C Feed, Littlefield	6	Blk. strs	698 lbs.	at \$107.00
Abel Parra, Denver City		RWF hfr .per hd.	165 lbs.	at \$320.00
Ceferina Reyes, Hereford		Red hfr	470 lbs.	at \$128.00
Norris Conklin, Muleshoe	4	Blk. hfrs	504 lbs.	at \$122.00
Norris Conklin, Muleshoe	4	Mxd. hfrs	745 lbs.	at \$95.00
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Ivan Mueinink, Seminole	8	Mxd. hfrs	919 lbs.	at \$87.75
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Gable Farms, Sudan		Char. pair		\$1225.00
Phil Garrett, Sudan		2 Blk. pair		\$1150.00
Cooper Bros., Matador		Blk. bull	1345 lbs.	at \$1375.00
Johann Hildebrand, Wellman		Blk. cow P8		\$1050.00
Johann Hildebrand, Wellman		Blk. cow		\$61.00
Gable Farms, Sudan		Red cow	1190 lbs.	at \$62.50
Phil Garrett, Muleshoe		BMF cow	1070 lbs.	at \$60.50
EDR Cattle, Whiteface		RMF cow	990 lbs.	at \$60.00
Dale Demel, Clovis, NM		Red cow	1580 lbs.	at \$59.50
Hip O Cattle, Muleshoe		Blk. cow	1120 lbs.	at \$58.50
J.D. Cage, Muleshoe		Yell. cow	1085 lbs.	at \$58.50
B&D Dairy, Plains		Blk. cow	1270 lbs.	at \$57.50
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## Red Hat Society tours the town



Photographs by Leah Bell

### Uganda presentation to be held

Chris and Stephen Shelburne will be speaking about their mission trip to Uganda at 16 & D Church of Christ Sunday, June 26, at 2 p.m.

### Honors

Newspaper owner Chris Bradford collected a fourth place award for the *Muleshoe Journal* from the Texas Press Association (TPA) Saturday, June 18, at the 126th Annual Summer Convention in Las Colinas, Texas.

General Manager Leah Bell and *Castro County News* Managing Editor Davie Ann Browder entered as a team, winning in the Feature Story category for their 2004 stories on "The Hat Doctor" and Kay Graves respectively.

Another of Bradford's newspapers, the *Olton Enterprise*, garnered a third place finish in the advertising category.

All entries were judged by the New York Press Association and TPA encompasses the state of Texas.



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### Publication of announcements

The Muleshoe Journal invites your news of weddings, engagements, showers, anniversaries and births.

In order to be fair to everyone, we must limit the amount of space for certain events.

For weddings and quinceaneras 25 column inches, which includes a photo if desired, will be the limit. If the photo and announcement run longer, we reserve the right to eliminate parts of the story or the person placing the article may indicate which portions may be left out. However, if a longer write-up is desired, it may be purchased in the form of an ad.

For anniversaries, if two photos are included, the limit will be 25 inches. It will be 15 inches if only one photo is used. That space will be free for anniversaries of 50 years or more. A fee may be charged for other anniversaries.

Birth announcements with one-column photos are run free of charge with names of immediate family, including grandparents and great-grandparents. Please understand that the permission of both parents is required for a birth announcement to be published.

Small stories describing showers are run free of charge after the fact and may include the names of the principals, items served at the showers, a brief description of the decor and the names of special or out-of-town guests.

A deadline of six months after an event will be the rule.

Drop by for a form or send the information via e-mail to editor@muleshojournal.com. The deadline is Monday noon.

Read all about it!

In next week's paper...

- ★ A special tab section saluting West Texas dairies
- ★ July 4th greetings
- ★ Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture July 4th news



## Red Hat Society gathers in Muleshoe

By Carolyn Johnson  
Special to the Journal

About 185 "sassy" women representing 20 chapters of the Red Hat Society participated in the second annual Red Hat Fling held in Muleshoe Friday and Saturday, June 18-19.

The event, sponsored by Carolyn's Christmas Creations, was designed to promote fun, friendship and creativity amongst the ladies.

Chapter members participated in a wine and cheese party Friday evening where members entered their hand-designed hats in the "Right Stuff" competition.

Entries were judged on style, teamwork, uniqueness, frills and feathers (which spells out STUFF).

Named as winners were: Best of Show, Razzle Dazzle Ladies of Floyd

County; Style, The Select Few of Lubbock; Teamwork, Red Hat Floozies of Clovis, N.M.; Uniqueness, Ravishing Rubies of Levelland; Frills, Sassetudes of Sweetwater; and Feathers, Scarlet Ladies of Clovis, N.M.

Saturday morning's entertainment began with a pajama party at Carolyn's where the ladies enjoyed a continental breakfast, socializing and discount shopping.

Three awards were presented here, including the Bedtime Beauty Award, won by Pat Power of The Select Few of Lubbock; the Gilda Radner Award (so named for her quote, "I base most of my fashion taste on what doesn't itch," won by Jan Etch from the Ravishing Rubies of Levelland; and the Sexy Slumber Award, won by Glenda Gardner and Sandra Conner (tie), of The

Select Few of Lubbock.

The groups at noon attended a luncheon and Red Hat style show at the civic center, where they were entertained by harpist Faith Lewis, a member of the harp ensemble at Texas Tech University.

Karen Alexander, author of the book *A to Prozac, an Alphabet Book for Midlife Girls*, presented a comedy monologue.

The style show featured local models and Red Hat Society ladies and categories included Beach Babes, Classy Chicks, Fabulous Floozies and Queen Mother Selections from each chapter.

The event culminated with award presentations and door prizes.

The Red Hat Society is a network of women devoted to spreading the joy of sisterhood around the world and gaining visibility for women over the age of 50.

### History Notes

In 1918, Harden A. Douglass was elected as Bailey County's first sheriff.

Hubbard, from Earth Methodist Church, directed a celebration of the life of Jewel Perry Tuesday morning. The residents and Jewel's family attended along with Maxine Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Black.

Tuesday afternoon, Diane Brown, Pat Clark, Delores Garrett, Mary Jo Burge and Jan Crawford came to shampoo and set the ladies' hair.

Early Wednesday morning, Melvin and Mike Green, Edward Orozco and Gary Skaggs cooked a big Father's Day breakfast for the men.

James Wedel and Alene Bryant did volunteer work at Park View Wednesday.

Chubby Douglass brought her little great-granddaughter to see Frances Purdy Tuesday morning.

Lawrence Hancock of Hancock Dairy gave a presentation on the dairy business Friday. He also talked about bear hunting in Russia. His big brown bearskin rug made a great impression.

Marilyn Wilson and Billie Powell visited the residents at Park View Monday.

## Nursing Home News

Anita Johnson assisted the residents in making a beaded cross in craft class Thursday morning.

Residents participating included Mary Johnson, Gladys Wright, Alliene Lasiter, Kathy Wilson, Gladys Wilson and Diane Crawford.

Zona Gatewood played the piano and the residents sang along Wednesday morning.

Thursday afternoon, the residents council met in the Day Room. Earl Talkington was elected president by the council. Earl lead the pledge to the flag, and the motto, as well as directed the meeting. The meeting was closed by Alliene Lasiter with a prayer.

Ronnie Dent and his sales manager, Tommy Gregory, from Dent and Company gave a presentation on the history of John Deere and provided an update on the latest tractors and implements. Dent presented Park View with replicas of the earliest John Deere tractors along with the latest model.

Becky Conklin visited Park View Friday. Among those she came to visit were Louise Agee.

Bro. Gary and Judy

## Where Are They Now?

U.S. Air Force Col. Curtis R. Reynolds, a 1977 graduate of Muleshoe High School, retired June 17, at Hurlburt Field, Fla., completing 24 years of active duty service.

Reynolds entered the military on Aug. 21, 1981, with an ROTC commission upon graduation from Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas.

His assignments have included Mather AFB, Calif.; Little Rock AFB, Ark.; Rhein-Main AB, Germany; Hurlburt Field, Fla.; Ft. Bragg, N.C.; Fort Clayton, Panama; and Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico.

He is a master navigator with more than 4,000 flying hours in conventional and special operations C-130 aircraft and has received numerous awards, including the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Joint Service

Achievement Medal. Reynolds, the son of Pat and Tub Angeley, is married to the former Karen diSioudi. They have three sons — Travis, a freshman at Texas Tech University, Michael, a junior at Ft. Walton Beach High School, and Sam, a freshman at Ft. Walton Beach High School. The family will remain in the Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., area after retirement.



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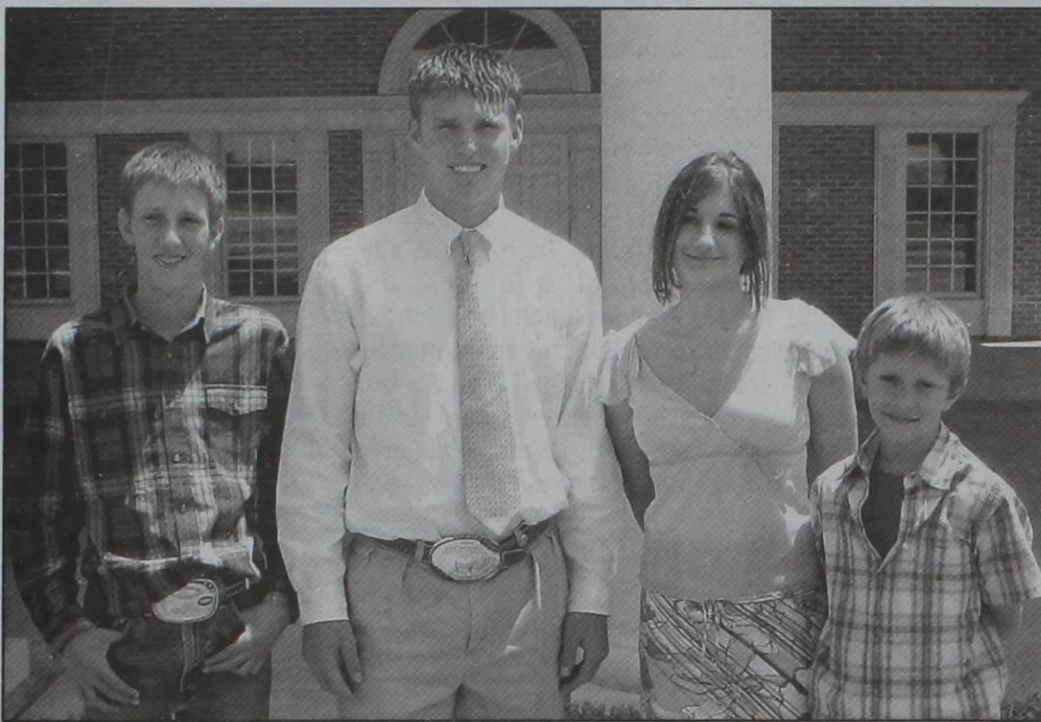
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**Employee of the Month**  
Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

**Business of the Month**  
Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

## 4-H News



JACKSON MYERS, BRADY BLACK, CAMI JO VANDIVER AND GARRISON MYERS.

### County 4-H members receive awards

Four Bailey County 4-H members participated in Dist. 2 4-H Roundup held on the Wayland Baptist University Campus, in Plainview, on May 7. Garrison Myers participated in the Junior I Poet Division of Share the Fun. He read the poem "Food Fight," by Carol Diggory Shields. Garrison placed first in his division, and was asked to present

the poem during the awards assembly. Jackson Myers competed in the Junior II Musical Division of Share the Fun. He performed "Buckaroo," the theme song from Buck Owens' Ranch Show, on his guitar. Jackson was awarded third place. Jackson and Garrison's parents are Rhonda and Thurman Myers. Cami Jo Vandiver, the

daughter of Lynn and Monti Vandiver, and Brady Black, the son of Brenda and Rex Black, participated in Senior Beef Method Demonstration. Their presentation was on the U.S. Animal Identification System in the U.S. Cattle Industry. They placed second. Cami Jo and Brady will advance to State 4-H Roundup.

## Tip Your Hat

This week, I want to tip my hat to an ideal... a dream... a symbol of honor and freedom, rather than to a group or person. But in a sense, I'm tipping my hat to a large group of people who feel the same way as I.

Last week, Flag Day came and went with relatively little fanfare other than the placement of a few flags or noticing a notation on a calendar. It might have slipped my notice as well if it weren't for a friend of mine who died on Flag Day almost 20 years ago.

Al Aber of Shawnee, Okla., loved God, his country, and the flag that represented it. He was a tough man...physically one of the strongest men I've known, but also gentle and kind. A former member of the 82nd Airborne, his patriotism carried over into civilian life, where he served many years on the Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Reserve.

A week before he passed away, while we were on a stake out — watching for a fugitive to appear at a residence in Shawnee, Al

gave me a ball point pen with information about his service station and garage on the barrel.

The next Saturday, Al worked the Flag Day celebration and parade at Wanette, Okla., in southern Pottawatomie County. Later that afternoon, he returned home feeling ill, sat down in his recliner, went to sleep... and never woke up. The coroner determined his fatal heart attack was the result of overexertion that hot summer day.

I've always thought it fitting that Al died on Flag Day. Is it any wonder that men such as Al honor and respect this symbol of our nation? After all, their blood — and the blood of brothers, sons and dear friends — was shed to keep this nation's ideals alive.

On June 15, USA Today reported the Senate may be just a couple of votes short of passing a national flag desecration amendment. Whether this news was in response to or the result of Flag Day, I don't know.

And to be perfectly honest, I have mixed

feelings about such a ban. Yes, I honor and respect the flag, and I'm disgusted by those who desecrate it. But I also have deep feelings for the First Amendment and all of its clauses, which are among the ideals the flag represents.

For that matter, I also have deep feelings for the other parts of the Bill of Rights, especially the Second Amendment and recognize that the context within which it was written has been intentionally ignored by liberal politicians, jurists and special interest groups for decades.

This week, I tip my hat to our nation's flag, may it wave long... under God. May the dreams it fosters raise our hopes, and the efforts and accomplishments it represents fill our hearts.

Incidentally, I still have Al's pen at the house.

### History Notes

Bailey County was named after Peter James Bailey, who was killed defending the Alamo.

# Classifieds

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### A show of support

Several members of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture posed with "Operation Keep Cannon" signs as a gesture of support for Cannon Air Force in Clovis. The board approved sending a letter along with this photo to the Clovis Chamber of Commerce, base officials and the City of Clovis proclaiming our chamber's support of the campaign to keep Cannon open. Pictured are: Top row, from left to right — Tadd Young and Carolyn Johnson; and bottom row, from left to right — Freddy Santos, Noelia Flores, Robert Nichols, Heather Foley, Lynn Moore and Leah Bell.

### Chamber News

By Leah Bell

The Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture Board of Directors met for their regular monthly meeting Thursday, June 16. Among the topics discussed were the upcoming July 4th celebration and a chamber manager update. Present at the meeting were President Heather Foley, Lynn Moore, JimElla Clemmons, Vice President Robert Nichols, Freddy Santos, Leah Bell, Tadd Young, Noelia Flores, Carolyn Johnson, Terral King and Stacy M. Thompson.

Jennyslipper representative Ruby Green addressed the group and asked for financial help to feed the "PUSH" bicycle team that stops in Muleshoe every year during their cross country trip to raise money for children's charities.

The board passed a motion to give the Jennyslippers \$100 to help buy the steaks the college-aged bike riders have come to anticipate every year.

Financially speaking, Foley reported that the gift shop lost money in 2004, but that steps have been taken to turn that loss around in 2005.

Foley reported that Main Street will be closed to traffic on July 4th to accommodate vendors and various other activities. This has been verified by city officials and the police department. She then asked for updates on July 4th activities.

King reported that the Brisket Cook-off is going "very well" and that lots of interest has been shown in the event from out-of-town cooks. For information on this event, see "The Bulletin," on page 2 of the Journal.

Thompson reported that the softball tournament is going "well" too. As of this writing, 10 teams are signed up to play with numerous other prospects still deciding.

Vendor chairpersons Clemmons and Johnson both reported high interest in Main Street vendor booths for the Fourth.

A concern about electricity was brought up by Clemmons who said several vendors had asked about its availability that day.

The board discussed the problem and decided to contact businesses along Main Street to find volun-

teers who would allow vendors to use their store electricity for a nominal fee of \$10-15 per vendor on that day.

An update on this situation will be made at a special meeting June 23.

Advertising for July 4th is in full swing according to Bell. Local television, area radio and newspapers are being utilized to promote this year's event.

In other news, the board discussed finding another individual or company to help maintain the chamber grounds. No further action was taken until persons are contacted for rates.

Foley informed the board that no action had been taken as yet to hire a new chamber manager due to time conflicts of the executive board members. She anticipates having someone to present to the entire board within a few weeks.

The board voted on and approved the new membership of Sparkle Cleaners. Welcome to our organization!

Next, those present discussed and approved by a 7-2 vote to send the City of Clovis, its chamber of commerce and Cannon Air Force Base officials a proclamation of support for Cannon Air Force Base, currently on the BRAC Commission's closure list.

In other business, August begins the board of director nominations and election process for 2006. Current members were reminded that once July 4th is over, a membership drive and these elections will become top priority for the board.

The group voted on and approved the July business and employee of the month and the meeting adjourned.

### Corrections

Bob Hinds, who owns the *Sudan Beacon News* along with his wife Ann, was incorrectly identified in the second paragraph of the story about the newspaper reopening that appeared in the June 9 issue of the Muleshoe Journal.

Bob Hinds is an employee of the Talk Station and will continue in that capacity while his wife runs the newspaper on a daily basis.

The Journal regrets the error and apologizes for any inconvenience it might have caused.

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Mi Tierra Mariachi Band!

Performing in the parade and at Carolyn's immediately following the parade will be the mariachi band Mi Tierra. Until noon, enjoy lively mariachi music while you shop!

"Starbright" the Clown!

Also performing in the parade and spending the day at Carolyn's will be "Starbright" the Clown who will be painting faces and making balloon animals for the kids at no charge.

Food & Refreshments!

The junior high cheerleaders will be cooking and serving hamburger lunches on the 4th. Please come down and support these hardworking kids!